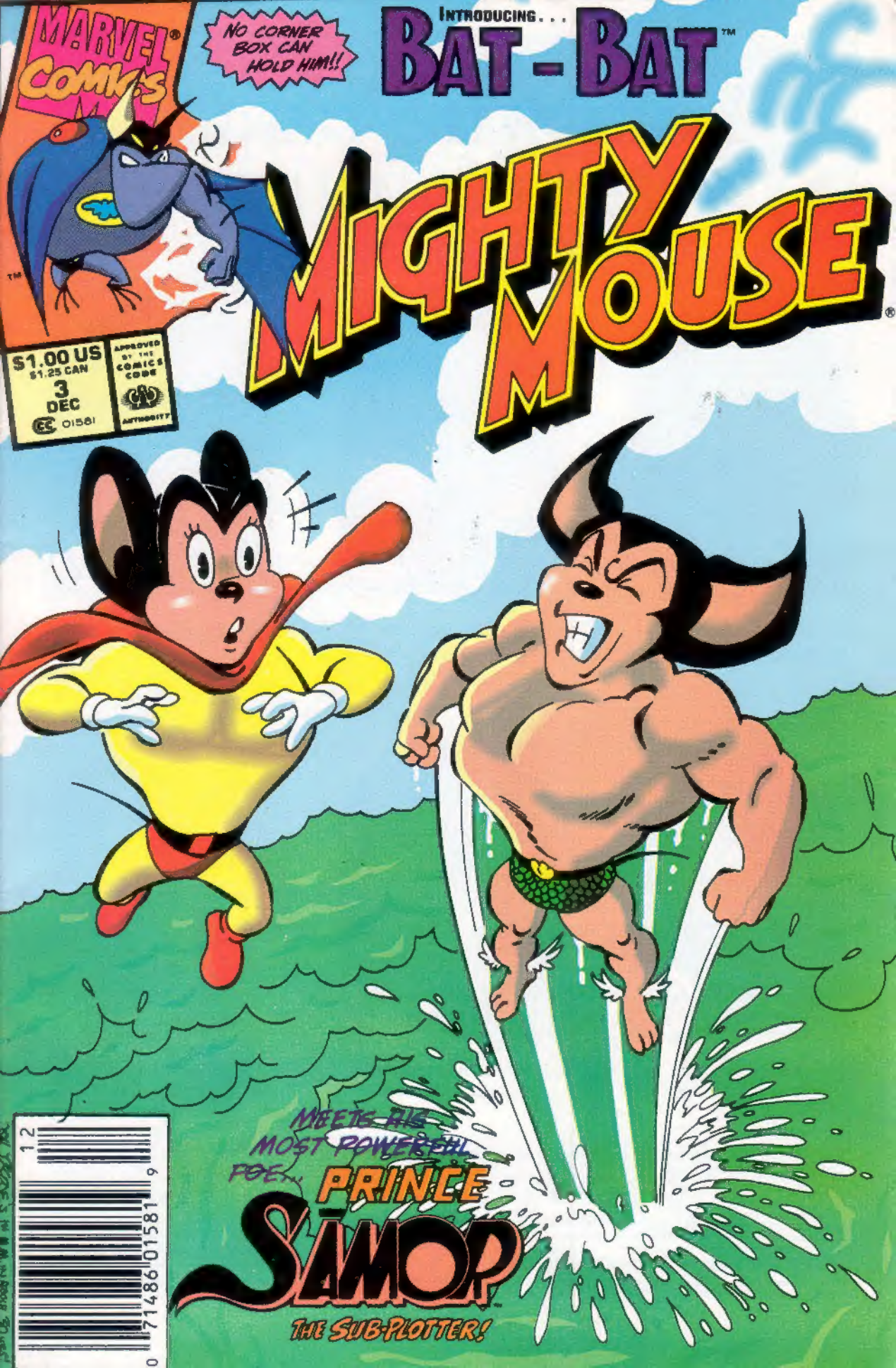
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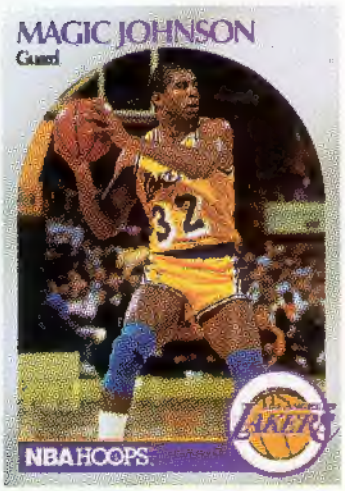
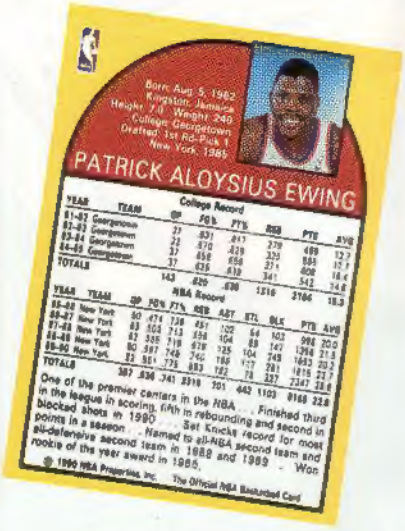


Led what school to an NCAA title?

Scored his most points in what season?



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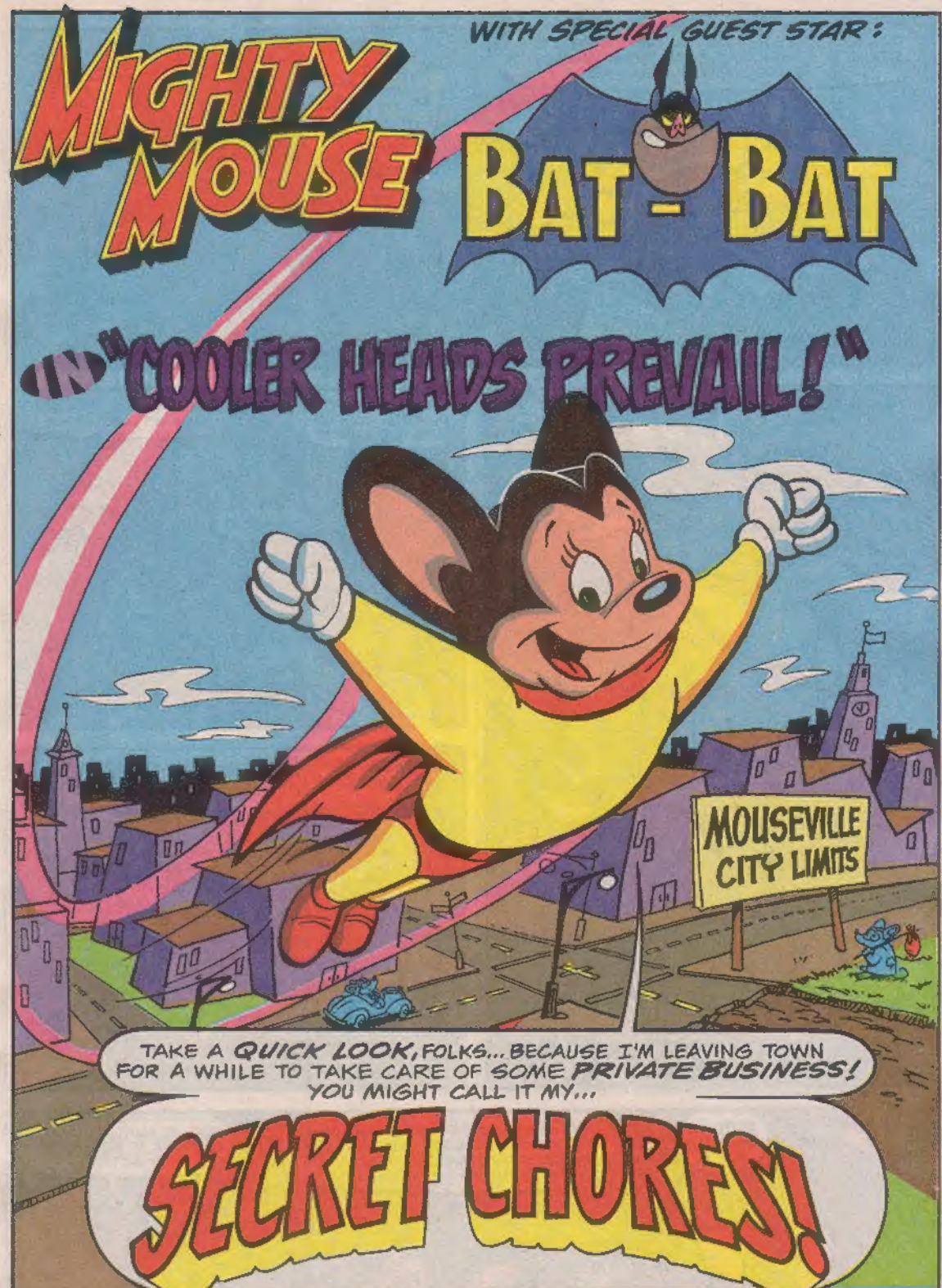
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Hidden ENTRANCE to the BAT-PIT!
Top Secret
Tell no one!
KEEP IT UNDER YOU HAT-HAT!
SLOW no WAKE!
BAT-BAT!
MIGHTY GOOD TO SEE YOU, MIGHTY!
AND HOW'S YOUR WARD, THE BUG WONDER?
HOLY HERO WORSHIP! I'M FINE, MR. MOUSE!
chuckle
TICK, GO GET BELFRY, OUR BUTLER, TO SERVE US CROISSANTS! PULL UP A STALAGMITE, MIGHT...
THANKS, 'BEE-BEE!'
SOON:
ANOTHER HELPING, SIR?
NO THANKS, BELFRY... I'VE GOT TO BE GOING! YOU'RE SURE YOU DON'T MIND GUEST-HEROING FOR THE NEXT FIVE OR SIX PAGES, BAT-BAT?
NOT AT ALL! IT'LL BE FUN TO BE BAKSHI IN ACTION!
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WITH ME ON THE JOB, NO ARCH-VILLAINS WILL TRY ANYTHING FUNNY! CRIMINALS ARE A SUPERSTITIOUS, NOEL COWARDLY LOT! BYE!
SO LONG! HMM... QUITE A NIP IN THE AIR! WE MAY BE IN FOR A COLD SNAP...
IF MIGHTY MOUSE ONLY KNEW HOW RIGHT HE IS...
LATER:
LOOK, BAT-BAT! OVER THERE! AT THE WINDOW!
HA! YOU THINK I'LL FALL FOR THAT OLD TRICK, TICK?
CHECK, CHUM!
I'M SERIOUS, SEE? IT'S THE BAT-BAT SIGNAL-SIGNAL!*
EGAD!
*In stereo where available
QUICKLY, BUG WONDER... TO THE MANMOBILE!
AYE-AYE, BAT-BAT!
A-TOE McBATTERIES TO POWER... BUNIONS TO SPEED... ZERO TO SIXTY IN 3.7 SECONDS!
PEEL OUT!
ZOOM!
HOLY HIGH PRESSURE SYSTEM! IT'S FREEZING OUT HERE!
YOU'RE RIGHT! THE ROADWAY'S COVERED WITH ICE! I CAN'T CONTROL THE MANMOBILE!
WE'RE GOING TO...
CRASH!
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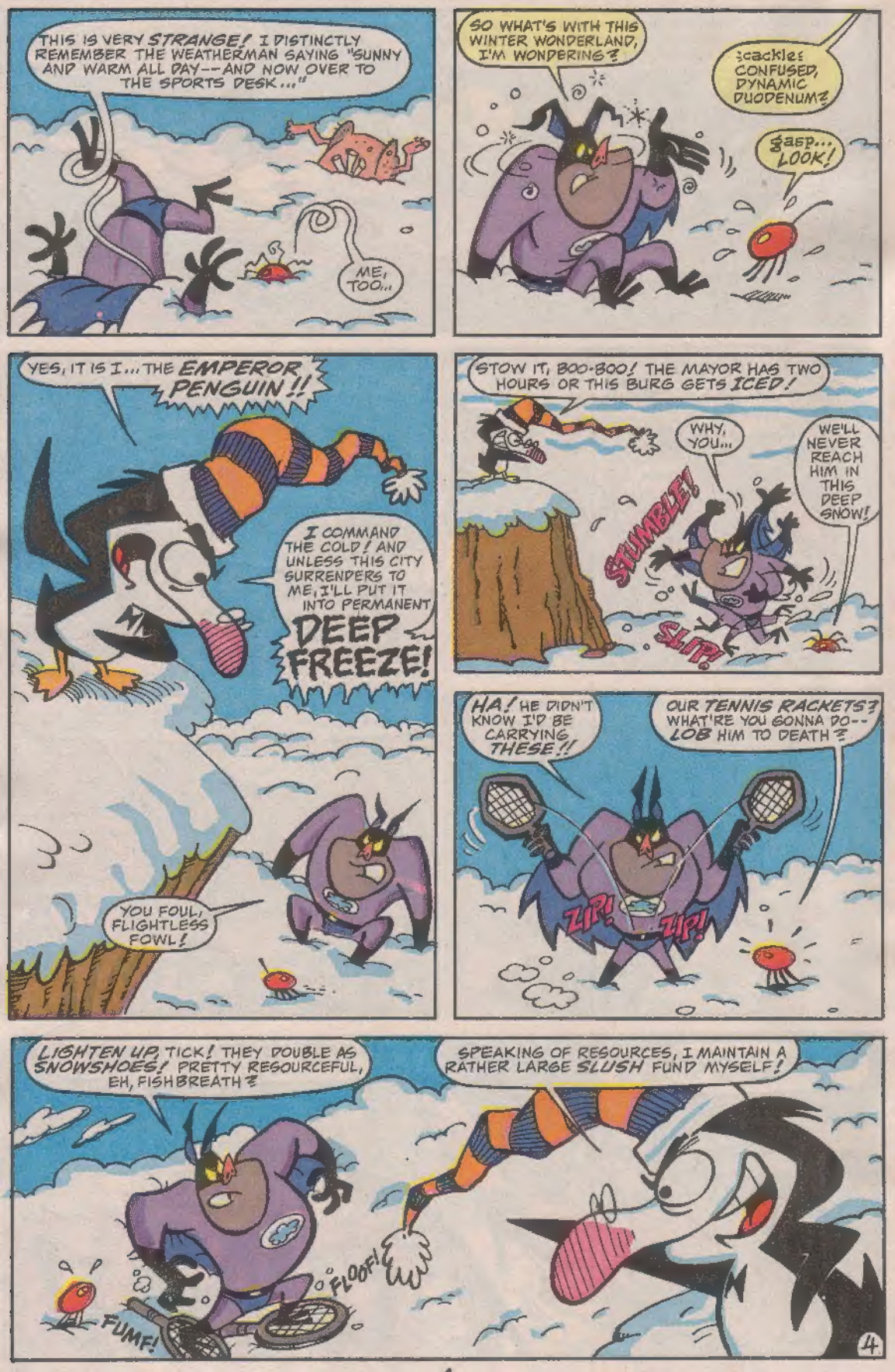
THIS IS VERY STRANGE! I DISTINCTLY REMEMBER THE WEATHERMAN SAYING "SUNNY AND WARM ALL DAY--AND NOW OVER TO THE SPORTS DESK..."
ME, TOO...
SO WHAT'S WITH THIS WINTER WONDERLAND, I'M WONDERING?
:cackle: CONFUSED, DYNAMIC DUODENUM?
:gasp... LOOK!
YES, IT IS I... THE EMPEROR PENGUIN!!
I COMMAND THE COLD! AND UNLESS THIS CITY SURRENDERS TO ME, I'LL PUT IT INTO PERMANENT DEEP FREEZE!
YOU FOUL, FLIGHTLESS FOWL!
STOW IT, BOO-BOO! THE MAYOR HAS TWO HOURS OR THIS BURG GETS ICED!
WHY, YOU...
WE'LL NEVER REACH HIM IN THIS DEEP SNOW!
STUMBLE!
SLIP!
HA! HE DIDN'T KNOW I'D BE CARRYING THESE!!
OUR TENNIS RACKETS? WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO-- LOB HIM TO DEATH?
ZIP!
ZIP!
LIGHTEN UP, TICK! THEY DOUBLE AS SNOWSHOES! PRETTY RESOURCEFUL, EH, FISHBREATH?
SPEAKING OF RESOURCES, I MAINTAIN A RATHER LARGE SLUSH FUND MYSELF!
FLOOF!
FUMF!
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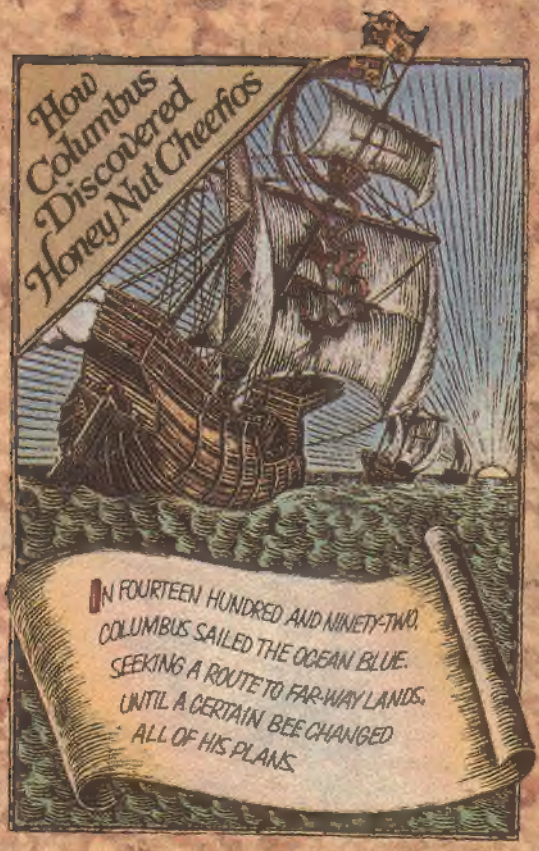
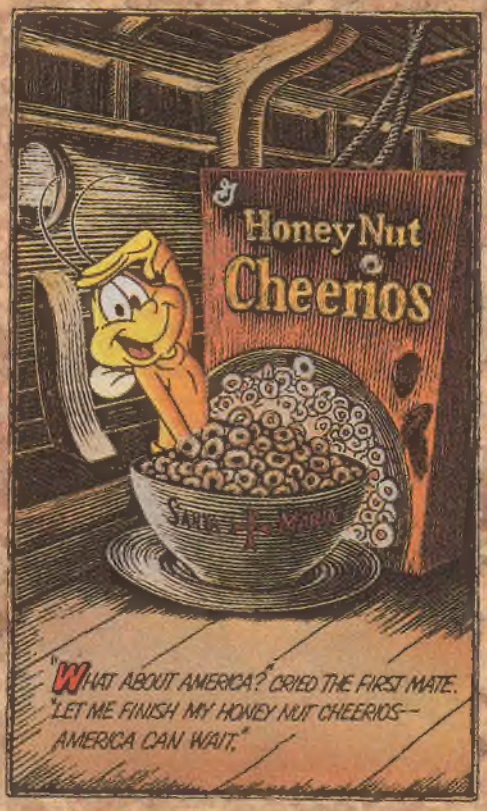

How Columbus Discovered Honey Nut Cheerios
IN FOURTEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO, COLUMBUS SAILED THE OCEAN BLUE. SEEKING A ROUTE TO FAR-WAY LANDS, UNTIL A CERTAIN BEE CHANGED ALL OF HIS PLANS.

Honey Nut Cheerios
THE BEE CAME UP TO COLUMBUS, THE STORY GOES, OFFERING HIM A TASTE OF HONEY NUT CHEERIOS. "GOLDEN HONEY AND CRUNCHY NUTS SOUND YUMMY," ASKED THE BEE. COLUMBUS DECLARED, "HONEY AND NUTS? WOW, WHAT A GREAT TASTE DISCOVERY!"



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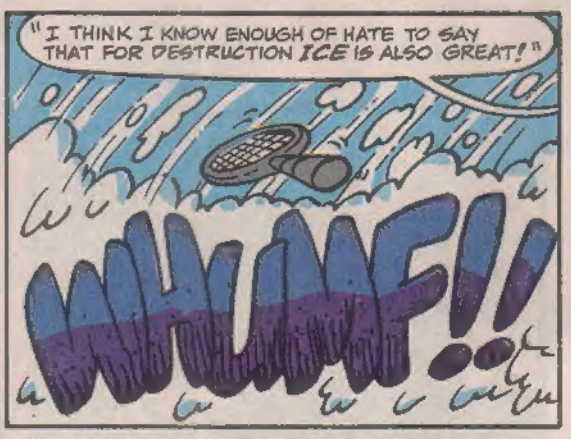
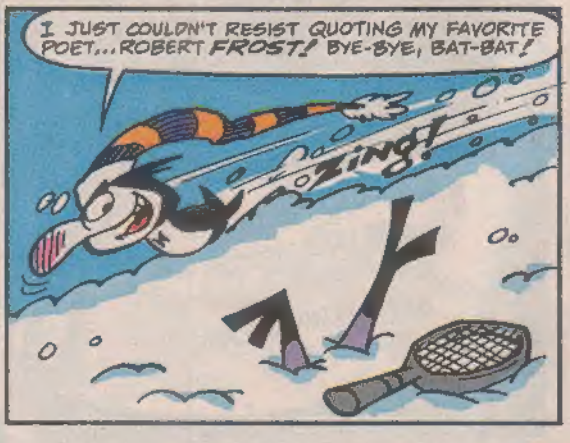
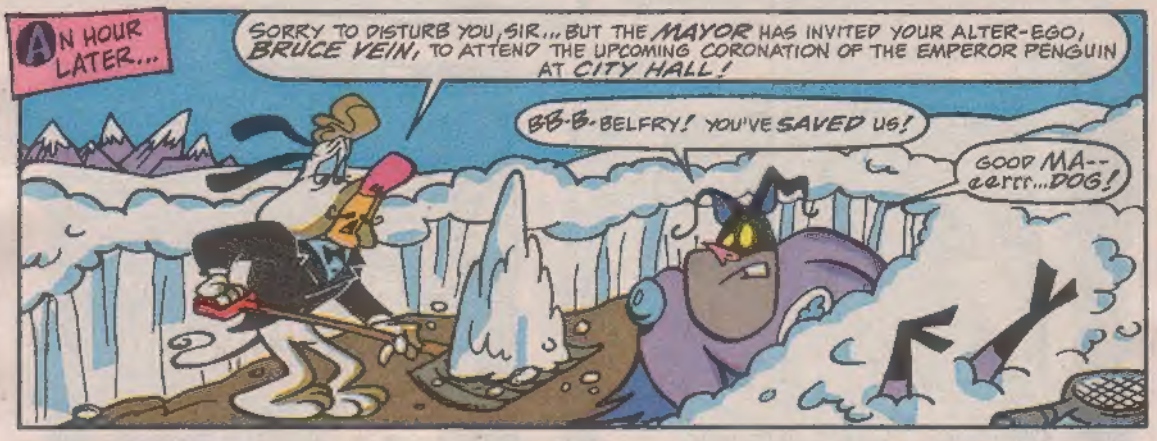
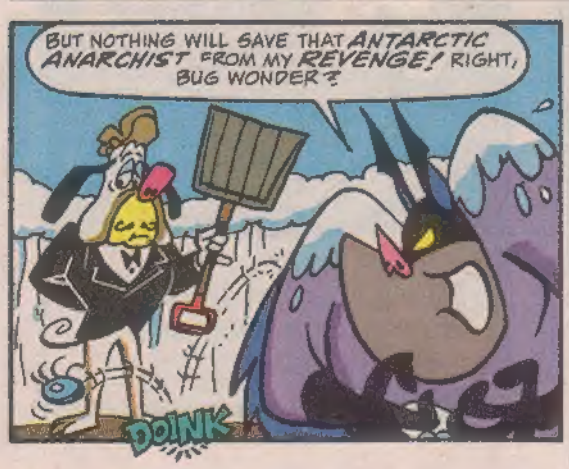
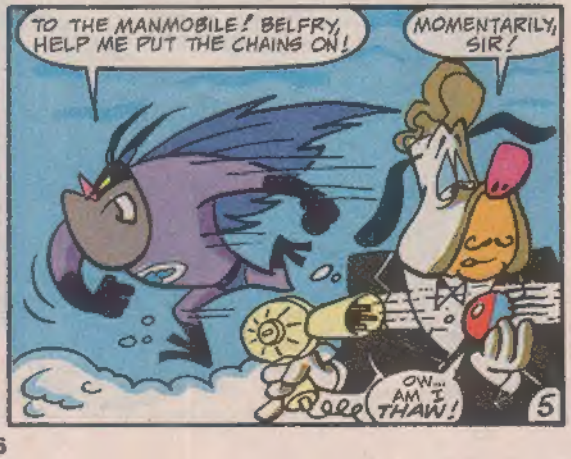
OBSERVE, CAPED CRUSADER RAB-BAT!
HOLY BURIAL PLOT!
AN AVALANCHE!


"I THINK I KNOW ENOUGH OF HATE TO SAY THAT FOR DESTRUCTION ICE IS ALSO GREAT!"
WHUMF!!


I JUST COULDN'T RESIST QUOTING MY FAVORITE POET... ROBERT FROST! BYE-BYE, BAT-BAT!
ZING!


AN HOUR LATER...
SORRY TO DISTURB YOU, SIR... BUT THE MAYOR HAS INVITED YOUR ALTER-EGO, BRUCE VEIN, TO ATTEND THE UPCOMING CORONATION OF THE EMPEROR PENGUIN AT CITY HALL!
BB-B-BELFRY! YOU'VE SAVED US!
GOOD MA-- eerrr... DOG!


BUT NOTHING WILL SAVE THAT ANTARCTIC ANARCHIST FROM MY REVENGE! RIGHT, BUG WONDER?
DOINK


TO THE MANMOBILE! BELFRY, HELP ME PUT THE CHAINS ON!
MOMENTARILY, SIR!
OW... AM I THAW!
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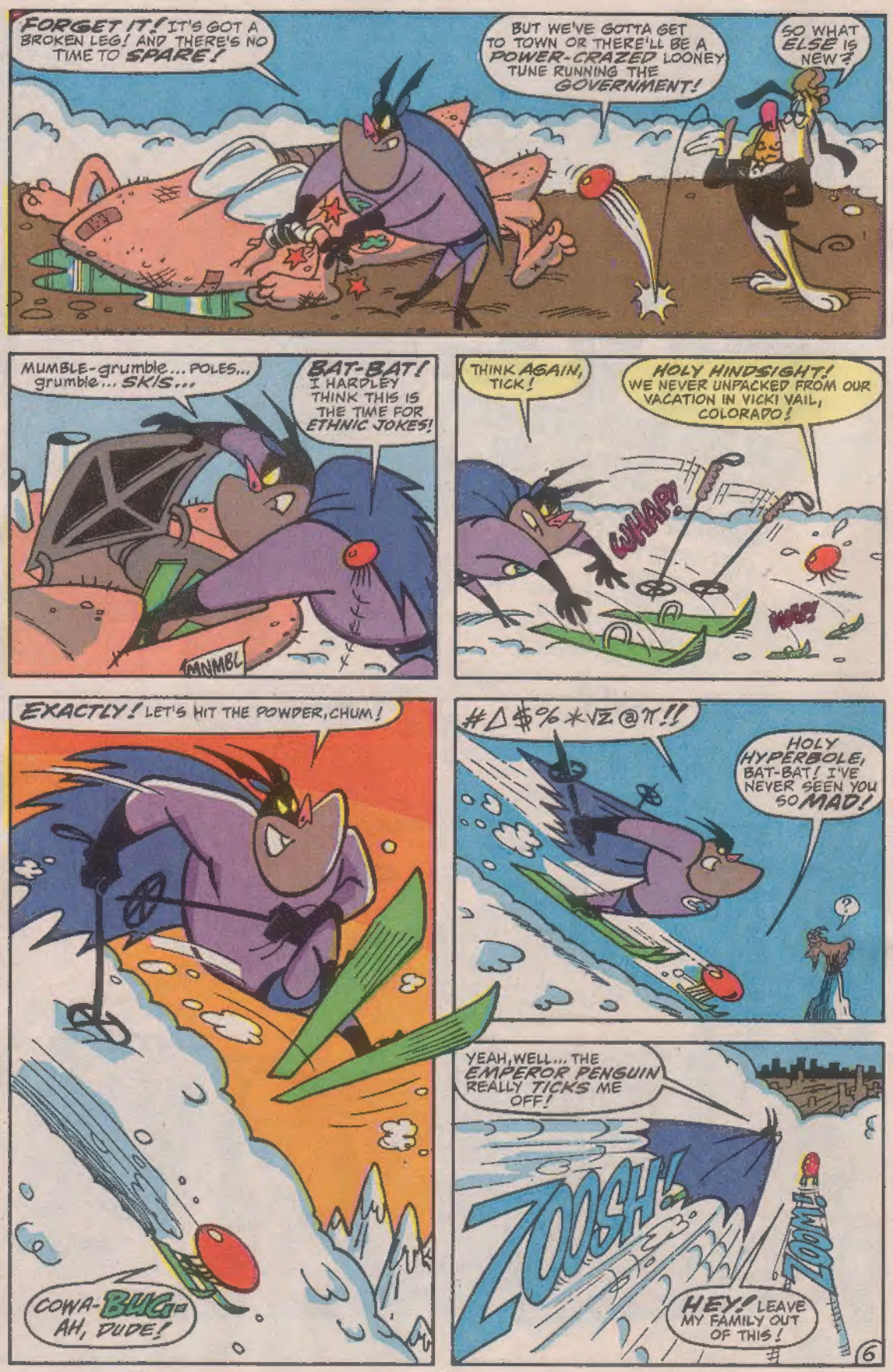
FORGET IT! IT'S GOT A BROKEN LEG! AND THERE'S NO TIME TO SPARE!
BUT WE'VE GOTTA GET TO TOWN OR THERE'LL BE A POWER-CRAZED LOONEY TUNE RUNNING THE GOVERNMENT!
SO WHAT ELSE IS NEW?
MUMBLE-grumble... POLES... grumble... SKIS...
BAT-BAT! I HARDLEY THINK THIS IS THE TIME FOR ETHNIC JOKES!
MMMBL
THINK AGAIN, TICK!
HOLY HINDSIGHT! WE NEVER UNPACKED FROM OUR VACATION IN VICKI VAIL, COLORADO!
WHAP!
WHEE!
EXACTLY! LET'S HIT THE POWDER, CHUM!
COWA-BUGA-AH, DUDE!
#△$%*√Z@π!!
HOLY HYPERBOLE, BAT-BAT! I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU SO MAD!
?
YEAH, WELL... THE EMPEROR PENGUIN REALLY TICKS ME OFF!
ZOOSH!
ZOOM!
HEY! LEAVE MY FAMILY OUT OF THIS!
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MEANWHILE:
--AND SO, AS MAYOR... AND BY UNANI-MOUSE CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL, I HEREBY DECREE THAT THE EMPEROR PENGUIN IS... IS...
:SNICKER:
LAW
ERROR
TEA
POLE
--UNDER ARREST!
SKASH!
BAT-BAT!
BAH!
YOU'RE ALLOWED ONE PHONE CALL HOME, E.P.!
NOCTURNAL NINCOMPOOP!
THUD!
EVEN INDOORS, I WIELD THE WINDS OF WINTER!... WATCH!
GREAT SCOTTSDALE! HE'S PINNING ME TO THE WALL WITH RAZOR-SHARP ICICLES!
THUNK!
GHOK!
WHAP!
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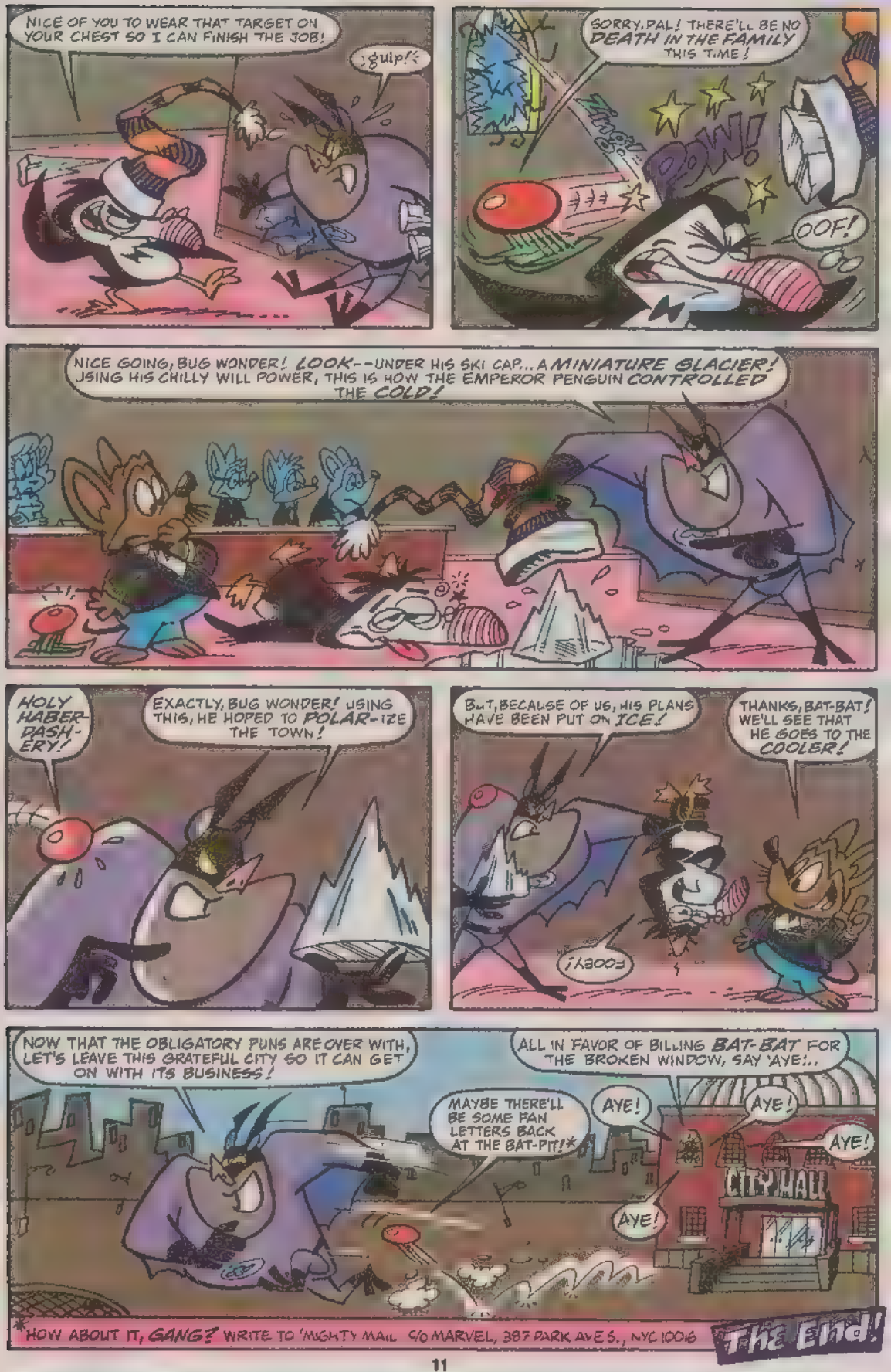
NICE OF YOU TO WEAR THAT TARGET ON YOUR CHEST SO I CAN FINISH THE JOB!
:gulp!:
SORRY, PAL! THERE'LL BE NO DEATH IN THE FAMILY THIS TIME!
ZIPPO
POW!
OOF!
NICE GOING, BUG WONDER! LOOK--UNDER HIS SKI CAP... A MINIATURE GLACIER! USING HIS CHILLY WILL POWER, THIS IS HOW THE EMPEROR PENGUIN CONTROLLED THE COLD!
HOLY HABER-DASH-ERY!
EXACTLY, BUG WONDER! USING THIS, HE HOPED TO POLAR-IZE THE TOWN!
BUT, BECAUSE OF US, HIS PLANS HAVE BEEN PUT ON ICE!
THANKS, BAT-BAT! WE'LL SEE THAT HE GOES TO THE COOLER!
FOOEY!
NOW THAT THE OBLIGATORY PUNS ARE OVER WITH, LET'S LEAVE THIS GRATEFUL CITY SO IT CAN GET ON WITH ITS BUSINESS!
ALL IN FAVOR OF BILLING BAT-BAT FOR THE BROKEN WINDOW, SAY 'AYE!..
MAYBE THERE'LL BE SOME FAN LETTERS BACK AT THE BAT-PIT!*
AYE!
AYE!
AYE!
AYE!
CITY HALL
*HOW ABOUT IT, GANG? WRITE TO 'MIGHTY MAIL C/O MARVEL, 387 PARK AVE S., NYC 10016
The End!

BACK TO THE FUTURE II & III
NOW....
IT'S YOUR TURN!
before it's too late.

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AT LAST I'VE REACHED THE CLIFFS OF MOHAIR, WHERE I CAN COMPLETE THE FIRST OF MY "SECRET CHORES!"
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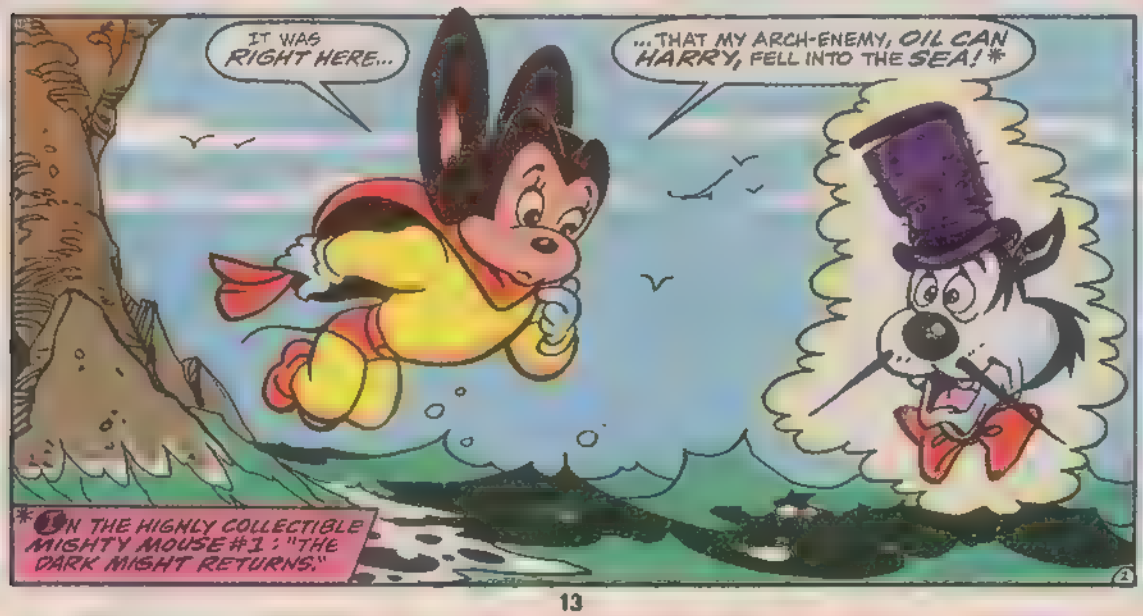
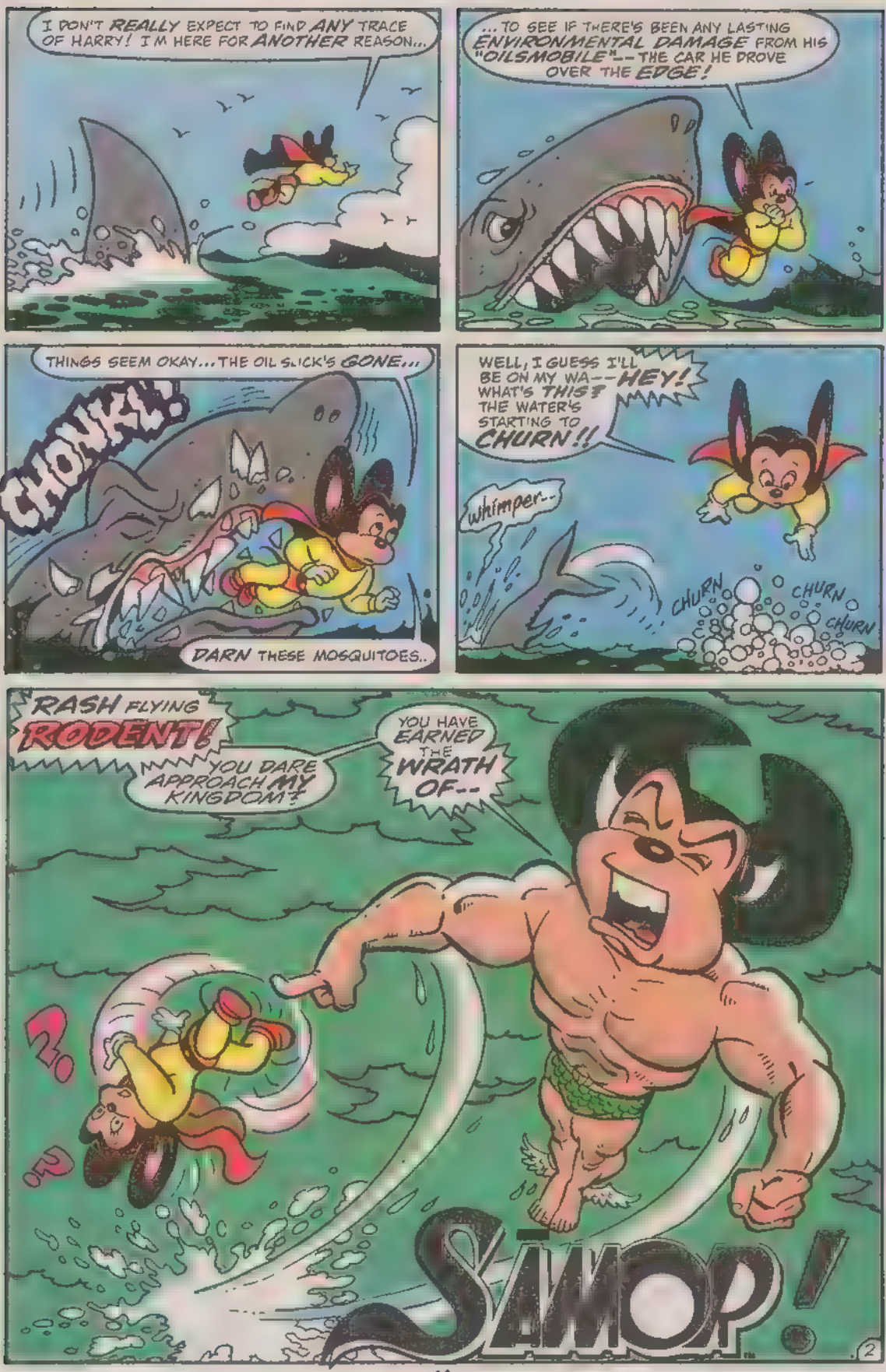

IT WAS RIGHT HERE...
...THAT MY ARCH-ENEMY, OIL CAN HARRY, FELL INTO THE SEA! *
* IN THE HIGHLY COLLECTIBLE MIGHTY MOUSE #1: "THE DARK MIGHT RETURNS."


I DON'T REALLY EXPECT TO FIND ANY TRACE OF HARRY! I'M HERE FOR ANOTHER REASON...
...TO SEE IF THERE'S BEEN ANY LASTING ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE FROM HIS "OILSMOBILE"--THE CAR HE DROVE OVER THE EDGE!
THINGS SEEM OKAY...THE OIL SLICK'S GONE...
CHONK!!
DARN THESE MOSQUITOES..
WELL, I GUESS I'LL BE ON MY WA--HEY! WHAT'S THIS? THE WATER'S STARTING TO CHURN!!
whimper--
CHURN
CHURN
CHURN
RASH FLYING RODENT!
YOU DARE APPROACH MY KINGDOM?
YOU HAVE EARNED THE WRATH OF--
SAMOP!
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BEGONE, FOOLISH AIR-BREATHER!
EASY, BIG FELLA! THE ALTITUDE'S GIVING YOU AN ATTITUDE!
YOU TRY MY PATIENCE, COSTUMED ONE!
I'M ONLY TRYING TO BE FRIENDLY! CHILL OUT, WILLYA?
C'MON... PUT 'ER THERE!
NONE MAY TOUCH MY IMPERIAL PERSON!!
HOWEVER, I MAY TOUCH YOUR PERSON... WITH A RIGHT CROSS!
OO-FAH!
SWAT
WOW--! THAT WAS QUITE A SUNDAY PUNCH...! AND IT'S ONLY WEDNESDAY!
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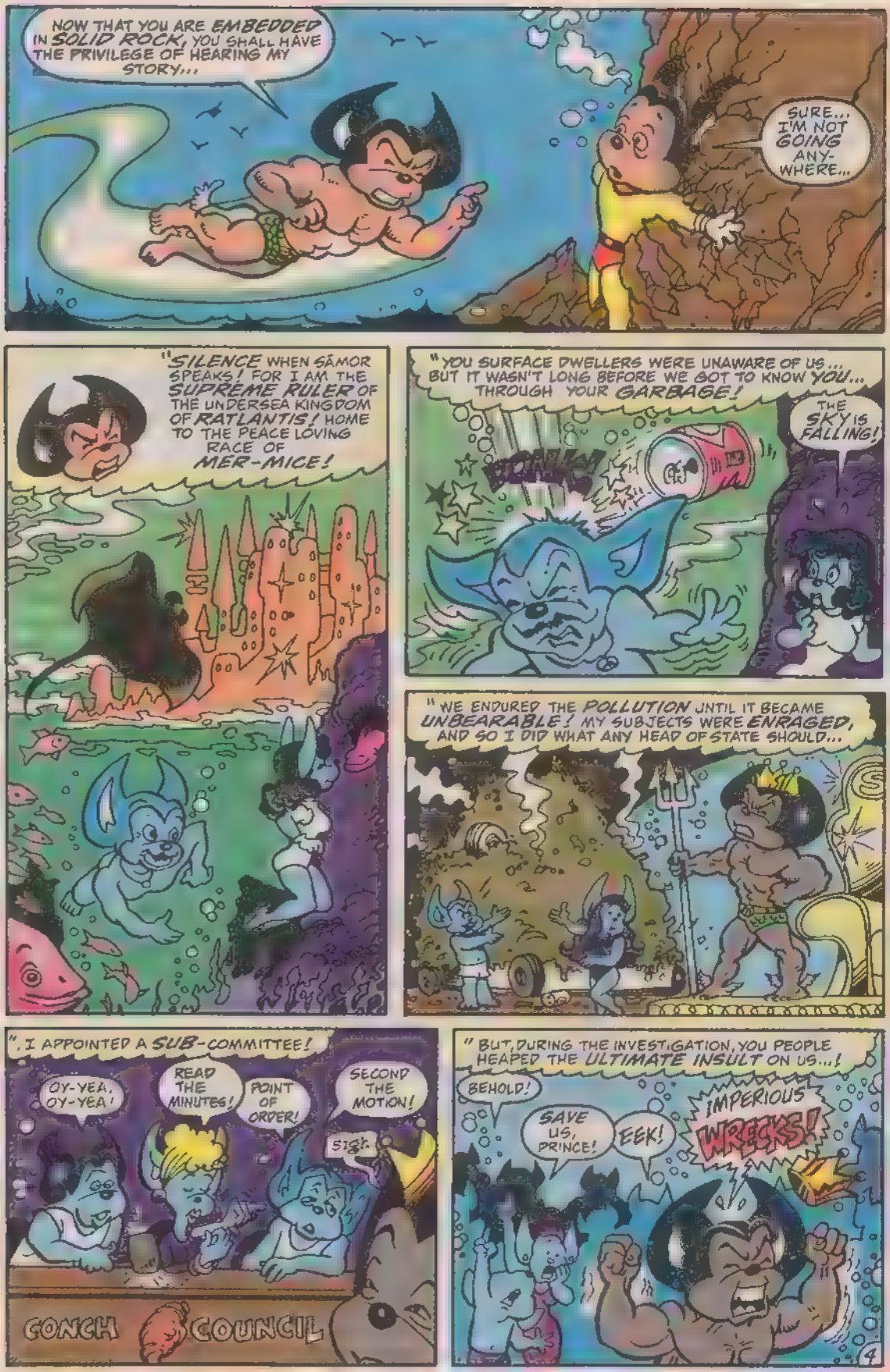
NOW THAT YOU ARE EMBEDDED IN SOLID ROCK, YOU SHALL HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF HEARING MY STORY...
SURE... I'M NOT GOING ANY-WHERE...
"SILENCE WHEN SAMOR SPEAKS! FOR I AM THE SUPREME RULER OF THE UNDERSEA KINGDOM OF RATLANTIS! HOME TO THE PEACE LOVING RACE OF MER-MICE!
"YOU SURFACE DWELLERS WERE UNAWARE OF US... BUT IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE WE GOT TO KNOW YOU... THROUGH YOUR GARBAGE!
THE SKY IS FALLING!
"WE ENDURED THE POLLUTION UNTIL IT BECAME UNBEARABLE! MY SUBJECTS WERE ENRAGED, AND SO I DID WHAT ANY HEAD OF STATE SHOULD...
", I APPOINTED A SUB-COMMITTEE!
OY-YEA, OY-YEA!
READ THE MINUTES!
POINT OF ORDER!
SECOND THE MOTION!
SIGH.
GONCH COUNCIL
" BUT, DURING THE INVESTIGATION, YOU PEOPLE HEAPED THE ULTIMATE INSULT ON US...!
BEHOLD!
SAVE US, PRINCE!
EEK!
IMPERIOUS WRECKS!

"A CAR! AN ENTIRE AUTOMOBILE DUMPED INTO OUR PRISTINE WATERS! AND THAT'S NOT ALL...
"...WHEN IT STRUCK BOTTOM, IT GUSHED UNTOLD GALLONS OF STICKY OIL!
GBLORG!!!
"RATLANTIS WAS COVERED! IT TOOK 35 MONTHS TO RECOVER! MY PEOPLE CRY OUT FOR VENGEANCE!"
I CAN EXPLAIN! THAT WAS OIL CAN HARRY'S CAR! HE--
SILENCE!
SLAP!
SAMOR DID NOT GIVE YOU LEAVE TO SPEAK!
WELL...! THAT'LL BE ENOUGH OF THAT!
ANON? YOU SHALL LEARN MY WORD IS LAW!
#$!
OKAY, BUT CAN I JUST STRETCH MY MUSCLES FIRST?
CRACK!
BY NEPTUNE'S NEPOTISM! THE EARTH SHAKES!
RUMBLE
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HE WAS PLAYING POSSUM! HIS STRENGTH DWARFS MY OWN! THIS CAN ONLY BE THE LEGENDARY MIGHTY MOUSE!!
THOOM
RIGHT THE FIRST TIME, SAMOR! AND NOW IT'S TIME FOR THE INEVITABLE SLUGFEST... PUT UP YOUR DUKES!
I SAY THEE NAY!
C'MON... LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH...
NEVER! OBSERVE HOW I PLUCK ONE OF MY ANKLE FEATHERS!
PTUI PTUI
BOINK!
BY USING IT AS A QUILL, YOU SHALL SEE HOW I GOT MY NICKNAME... PRINCE SAMOR, THE SUB-PLOTTER!
HUH?! HEY!
MEANWHILE...
SCRIBBLE...
WPRL
MIGHTY MOUSE--!! HELP!
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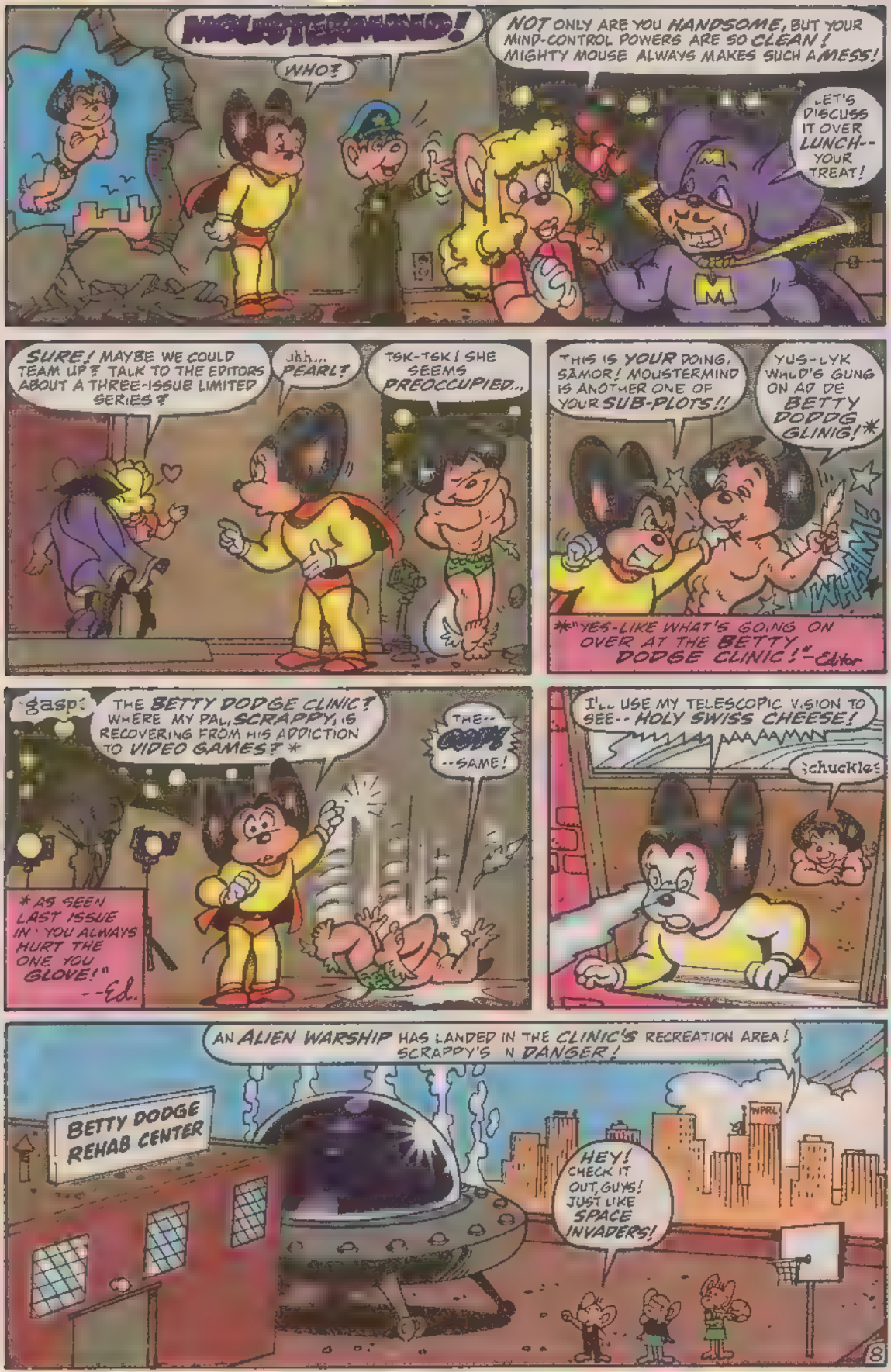
HOW DID YOU DO THAT?! NONE OF THIS IS IN TODAY'S SCRIPT!
WELL IT'S A LONG STORY...
PLOT SYNOPSIS MM-3
MG
FORGET IT! I HAVEN'T A MOMENT TO WASTE!
VOOM!!
I THINK I'LL TAG ALONG! SAMOR MAY HAVE MORE TO SAY!
HERE I COME TO SAVE... CHIEF O'REILLY?
EASY NOW, LADDIE! THERE'S NO NEED FOR ANY ROUGH STUFF!!
BASH
BUT THE MEOWRAUDERS...
SURE AND THEY'VE BEEN ROUNDED UP BY ANOTHER SUPER HERO...
OH, BAT-BAT? GLAD I LEFT HIM IN CHARGE...
OCH, NO! IT WAS THAT NEW FELLA THAT MISS PEARL'S MOONIN' OVER...


MOUSTERMIND!
WHO?
NOT ONLY ARE YOU HANDSOME, BUT YOUR MIND-CONTROL POWERS ARE SO CLEAN! MIGHTY MOUSE ALWAYS MAKES SUCH A MESS!
LET'S DISCUSS IT OVER LUNCH-- YOUR TREAT!
SURE! MAYBE WE COULD TEAM UP? TALK TO THE EDITORS ABOUT A THREE-ISSUE LIMITED SERIES?
uhh... PEARL?
TSK-TSK! SHE SEEMS PREOCCUPIED...
THIS IS YOUR DOING, SAMOR! MOUSTERMIND IS ANOTHER ONE OF YOUR SUB-PLOTS!!
YUS-LYK WHUD'S GUNG ON AD DE BETTY DODDG GLINIG!*
WHAM!
*"YES-LIKE WHAT'S GOING ON OVER AT THE BETTY DODGE CLINIC!"-Editor
gasp!
THE BETTY DODGE CLINIC? WHERE MY PAL, SCRAPPY, IS RECOVERING FROM HIS ADDICTION TO VIDEO GAMES? *
THE-- --SAME!
*AS SEEN LAST ISSUE IN "YOU ALWAYS HURT THE ONE YOU GLOVE!" --Ed.
I'LL USE MY TELESCOPIC VISION TO SEE-- HOLY SWISS CHEESE!
chuckles
AN ALIEN WARSHIP HAS LANDED IN THE CLINIC'S RECREATION AREA! SCRAPPY'S IN DANGER!
BETTY DODGE REHAB CENTER
HEY! CHECK IT OUT, GUYS! JUST LIKE SPACE INVADERS!
WPRL
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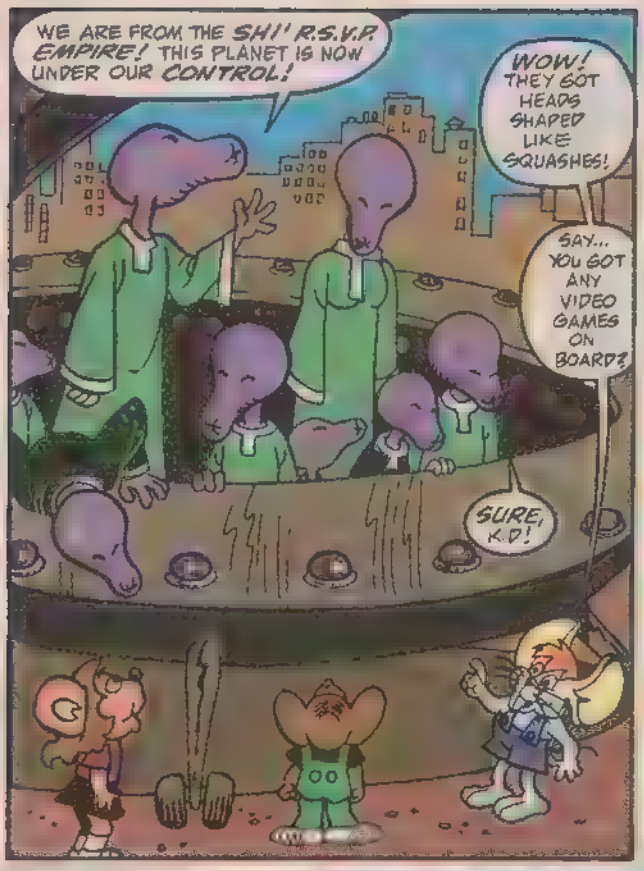
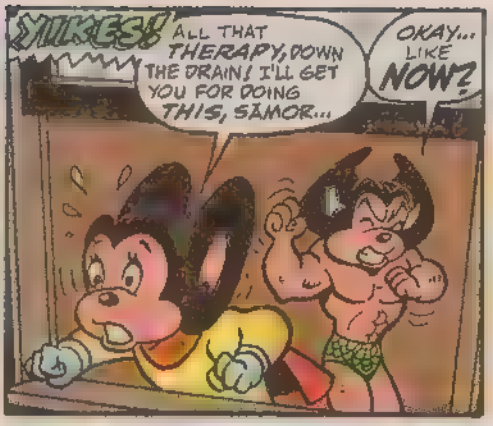
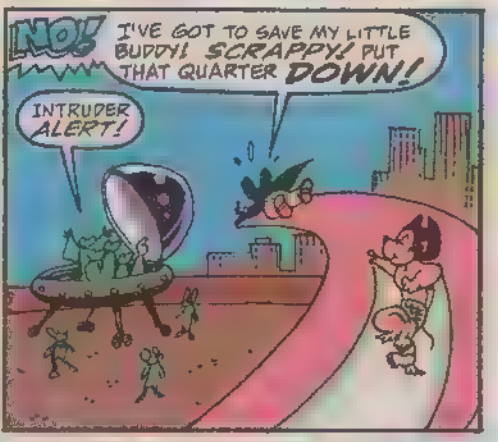
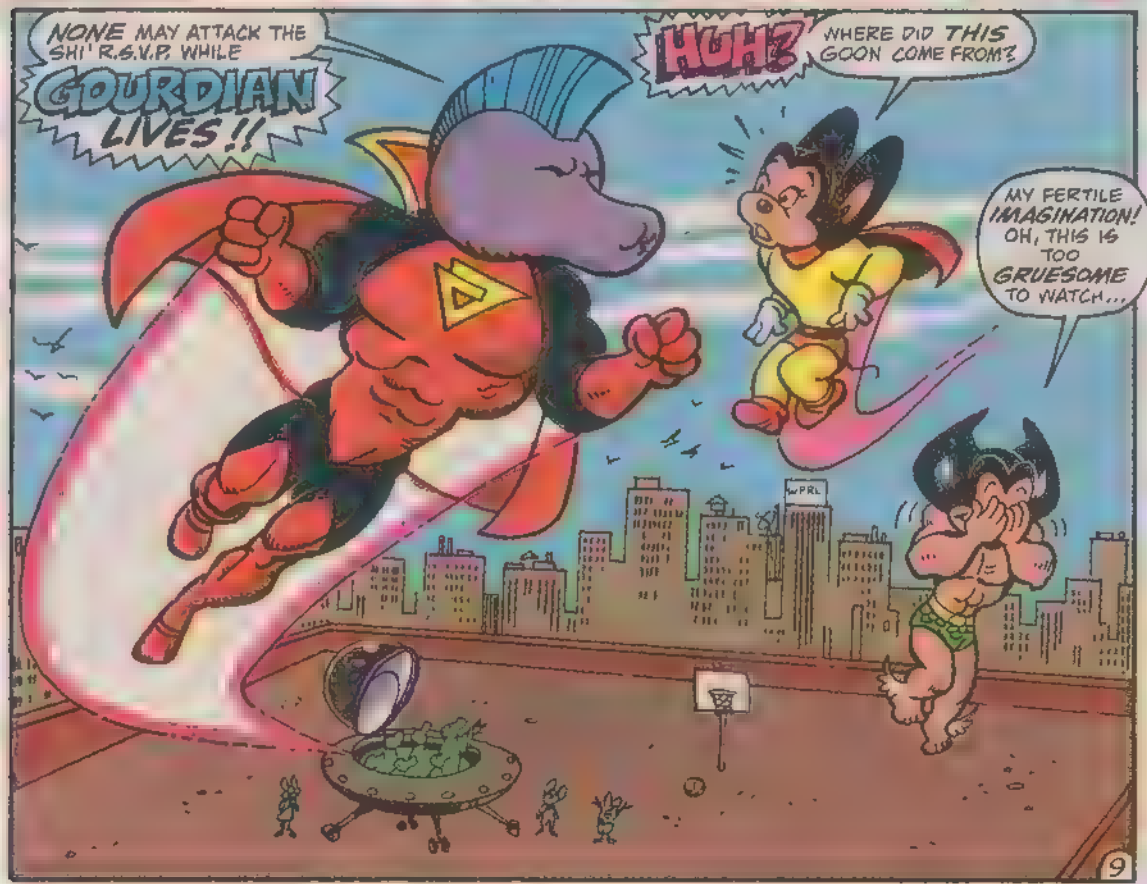

WE ARE FROM THE SHI' R.S.V.P EMPIRE! THIS PLANET IS NOW UNDER OUR CONTROL!
WOW! THEY GOT HEADS SHAPED LIKE SQUASHES!
SAY... YOU GOT ANY VIDEO GAMES ON BOARD?
SURE, K.D!


YIKES! ALL THAT THERAPY, DOWN THE DRAIN! I'LL GET YOU FOR DOING THIS, SIMOR...
OKAY... LIKE NOW?


NO! I'VE GOT TO SAVE MY LITTLE BUDDY! SCRAPPY! PUT THAT QUARTER DOWN!
INTRUDER ALERT!


NONE MAY ATTACK THE SHI' R.S.V.P. WHILE GOURDIAN LIVES!!
HUH?
WHERE DID THIS GOON COME FROM?
MY FERTILE IMAGINATION! OH, THIS IS TOO GRUESOME TO WATCH...

ZING!
SOCK!
HEY-Y-Y... THAT HURT!
I'M GETTING DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO LOSING MY TEMPER...
ZOOSH
...THEN AFTER YOU DISMANTLE THE OIL REFINERIES, WE'LL... UH, OH! INCOMING!
GET HIM, MIGHTY MOUSE!
WHACK!
BAP!
BIFF!
POW!
THE EARTH CHAMPION IS VICTORIOUS!
I WANT YOU ALIENS OUT OF HERE BY THE TIME I COUNT TO ONE...
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THUD!

STAR SIGNALS

We've just received this fast-breaking news: A winner has been selected in the STAR Comics Popularity Contest! It's an amazing development in the world of comics. Surprisingly, the rest world (of politics and taxes) seems little affected by the contest's outcome. It is believed, however, that should the winner—a powerful and furry figure—decide to run for the Presidency, he is a size 28-D shoe-in. (The White House is rumored to be looking for a new pair of shoes.)

Coming over the teletype right now is the name of the esteemed winner. Yes, you guessed it—ALF, short for Alien Life Form. Gordon Shumway, former resident of the former planet Melmac, has been an unexpected guest on Earth for several years now, and was selected by STAR Comics readers as their favorite STAR personality.

Second place in the contest is shared by Heathcliff and Count Duckula. Fans of both these characters are demanding a recount. Some suspect that ballots were never counted in the first place. This would make a recount impossible, especially since many of the ballots were apparently eaten by the esteemed contest winner.

For skeptics who doubt the veracity of this news bulletin, we'd like to quote somebody famous who said, "We don't make the news, we only print it." Well, he said something like that anyway.

Read on for sneak previews of the adventures of the ever-popular ALF, Count Duckula, Mighty Mouse, Heathcliff and Danger Mouse. They're all waiting for you at your favorite newsstand and comic book store.

• ALF has certainly dug himself into a hole this time! In "Underexposed," ALF recounts a Melmac flashback which leads him—and us—through a hilarious spoof of underground comics! Will the Comics Code Authority stand for it? *Should* they?! Read ALF #36 and decide for yourself!

• If you like the movie *Casablanca*, you'll love "Live and Let Dine," in COUNT DUCKULA #14. This spy-filled comic is a spine-tingling, page-turning thriller! (Okay, that's a slight exaggeration. But it *is* a funny story. How many tiny and exotic countries have a parking lot big enough to hold a flying castle?) Also, watch Danger Mouse and Penfold play tag in the wrestling saga, "Pin-Fall Wizards"! Have Her Majesty's Finest met their match? Find out in COUNT DUCKULA #14!

• Mighty Mouse has to handle some "Secret Chores", so he asks another super hero to protect Mouseville while he's away. Bat-Bat and his sidekick, Tick (the Bug Wonder), are ready for action! But are they ready for. . . the Emperor Penguin? The fate of Mouseville hangs in the balance, in M GHTY MOUSE #3!

• Fighting, fish-swiping, and sleeping are raised to an even higher art form as Heathcliff does what he does best in HEATHCLIFF #54 . . . on sale now!

Keep checking newsstands and comic book stores for new STAR comics! BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION are coming your way soon! In the meantime, remember your favorite STAR comics: HEATHCLIFF, MIGHTY MOUSE, ALF, COUNT DUCKULA, AND DANGER MOUSE!

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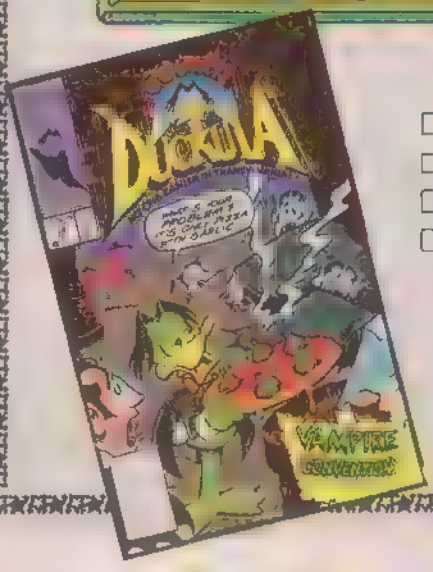

- ☐ ALF #36
- ☐ COUNT DUCKULA #14
- ☐ HEATHCLIFF #54
- ☐ MIGHTY MOUSE #3

TEN-FOUR! WE GONE!
OVER AND OUT!
CHUWWWO
WELL DONE! I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT'LL HAPPEN NEXT...
OH, YES YOU CAN! THAT'S WHY I'M TAKING YOU AWAY FROM HERE!
TOO LATE, MOUSE OF STEEL!
WHY? WHAT SUB-PLOT HAVE YOU--OH, NO!
NAY! SAY 'SUB-PLOTS'!!
OBSERVE! MOUSEVILLE IS NOW A PORTAL TO AN ALTERNATE FUTURE, DIRE WREATHS ARE APPEARING ON EVERYONE'S DOOR, MUTANT MICE ARE POURING OUT OF THE SEWERS, AND GALACTOPUS, THE PLANET TASTE-TESTER, HAS ARRIVED WITH HIS MIAMI HERALD, THE SILVER SMURFER!
YOW!
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2001
1999
FASHH-H
RING RING

SAMOR, THIS IS RIDICULOUS! IT'LL TAKE MONTHS--YEARS, TO RESOLVE ALL THESE CONFUSING SUB-PLOTS!
PRE-CISELY!
CONTINUITY WILL VANISH! READERSHIP WILL WANE! SALES WILL DROP! I'LL BE :gulp: CANCELLED!!
:snicker:
AT LAST YOU UNDERSTAND MY PLAN, MIGHTY MOUSE! YOU SURFACE DWELLERS WILL NEVER AGAIN SPOUT YOUR SEWAGE INTO MY KINGDOM!
INCANDESCENT!!
SJBBY, YOU JUST SAID THE MAGIC WORD!
?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING? THERE'S NOTHING OUT THERE BUT THE OPEN SEA!
HEY!!
HALT! EXPLAIN YOURSELF! THE PRINCE OF RATLANTIS COMMANDS IT!
FUNNY YOU SHOULD MENTION THAT PLACE...!

THAT'S EXACTLY WHERE I'M HEADED... RIGHT OVER YOUR "ALMA WATER!"
WHY?!
YOU SAID "SPOUT!" SO I'M GOING TO CREATE A WATER SPOUT THAT'LL YANK RATLANTIS OFF THE OCEAN FLOOR! THEN I'LL DROP IT INTO MOUSEVILLE! WHY SHOULD YOUR SUBJECTS MISS ALL THE FUN?
YOU WOULDN'T DARE!
QUISH
QUISH
THAT SOUNDED LIKE A CHALLENGE, YOUR HIGHNESS!
WHRRRRRRRRR
NO!
STOP!
SURE! JUST AS SOON AS YOU PUT A STOP TO ALL THOSE SUB-PLOTS BACK IN MY CITY!!
OKAY, OKAY! I'M ON MY WAY!
WHOOSH
SHORTLY...
I JUST FLEW IN FROM MOUSEVILLE!
AND BOY, ARE YOUR ANKLES TIRED, RIGHT?
MIND IF I CHECK YOUR WORK? UH-HUH... LOOKS GOOD!
SAMOR IS NO LIAR!
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I KNOW THAT! WHAT YOU ARE IS A PROUD RULER WHO ONLY WANTS TO LIVE IN PEACE! PUT 'ER THERE, PAL!
WHAT?! AFTER ALL I'VE DONE, YOU STILL EXTEND THE HAND OF FELLOWSHIP?
SURE! HOW ELSE CAN WE STOP POLLUTION UNLESS WE ALL WORK TOGETHER?
YOU ARE MIGHTY IN BODY AND MIND, MY FRIEND...
I MUST BE OFF! TIME AND TIDE WAIT FOR NO MOUSE!
FAREWELL!
SLOOP!
NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL AN INTERESTING SUPER HERO!
MAYBE I CAN GET HIM TO FILL IN AROUND HERE ONCE IN A WHILE... I'M SURE HE'D SUB FOR ME!
THE END
NEXT MONTH: IT BEGINS! DON'T MISS--"MICES ON INFINITE EARTHS!"

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